

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF: Naoko TSUJI, et al.

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SERIAL NO: 09 220,691

EXAMINER: WEBER, J.

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FOR: METHOD OF INHIBITING HAIR GROWTH

**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL**ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231

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This is a request for **Continued Examination (RCE)** under 37 C.F.R. §1.114 of the above-identified application.**Submission required under 37 C.F.R. §1.114***Previously Submitted:*

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- Preliminary Amendment
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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SIR:

In advance of prosecution, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 7-21 without prejudice.

REMARKS

Upon entry of this amendment, claims 1, 3-4 and 6 will now be active in this application.

The present application is a Request for Continued Examination, directed to a method of inhibiting hair growth. Claims 7-21 directed to a method of inhibiting hair growth with specific phosphonic acid derivatives have been canceled, without prejudice.

Applicants note, that the references of Suzuki U.S. 6,075,052 and 6,171,595 were